The Georgia Board of Nursing met July 16-18, 2003 at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, in Conference Room 104, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2003

RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeanette Bernhardt, RN, Ph.D. Marbury Stegall, RN, MN, CS, Vice-President

STAFF PRESENT

Sandy Bond, RN, MSN, MBA, Executive Director Monica Bridges-Roberts, Board Secretary Ylice Crews, Administrative Assistant Janet Jackson, JD, Assistant Attorney General

Sandy Bond called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

The Rules and Regulations Committee met to discuss proposed changes, revisions, and updates. The Rules Committee noted that the Education Committee is currently revising sections 410-3 thru 410-5 with proposed revisions to be presented to the Board at a later date for review. In addition, the Rules Committee suggested that the Administrative Staff of the RN Board, who processes the Applications/ Licensing, present proposed changes to sections 410-6 thru 410-9 to this committee to be presented to the Board at a later date for review.

The Rules and Regulations Committee is scheduled to meet on August 25, 2003 at 9:00 a.m., Macon, Ga. for further review and revision of current rules.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT

Linda Roberts-Betsch, RN, DSN, President Jeanette Bernhardt, RN, Ph.D. Karen Coolidge, BSHE Joan Darden, RN, Ph.D. Marbury Stegall, RN, MN, CS, Vice-President

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mildred Skipwith-Drayton, RN, BS

STAFF PRESENT

Sandy Bond, RN, MSN, MBA, Executive Director
Deborah Beard, Compliance Manager
Frank Brown, RN, BSN, CLC, Nursing Consultant – Discipline/Legal
Monica Bridges-Roberts, Board Secretary
Julia E. Gould, RN, MS, Nursing Consultant – Education
Kyle Floyd, Staff Attorney – Enforcement
Kathy Harvey, Area Supervisor – Enforcement
Kathleen O'Neal- Director of Administrative Procedure

Sally Hatcher, Staff Attorney- Enforcement Janet Jackson, JD, Assistant Attorney General Katrina Martin, RN, BSN, COHN-S, Nursing Consultant –Practice

Dr. Roberts-Betsch called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the May 15-16, 2003 Board Meeting. Ms. Coolidge moved to approve the minutes as amended. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Ms. Stegall moved, Dr. Bernhardt seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports. The motion passed unanimously. Those who voted to enter into Executive Session: Dr. Bernhardt, Ms. Stegall, Dr. Darden, and Ms. Coolidge.

At the conclusion of Executive Session, Dr. Roberts-Betsch declared the meeting to be "Open" pursuant to the <u>Open and Public Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. 5014-1</u>-et.seq.

DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

NOTICE OF BORROWER DEFAULT ON REPAYMENT OF STUDENT LOANS

Mrs. Stegall moved to suspend the following license(s) to practice as a registered professional nurse for defaulting on Licensee's student loan, and further moves that this suspension will cease upon the receipt by the Division Director or a notice of release from the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Registered Nurse:	<u>License#</u>	Registered Nurse:	_icense #
Charlene M. Barlow	RN124761	Felecia R. Chukes	RN148256
Mae F. Phillips	RN118867	John Bolt	RN150363
Brenda S. Calhoun	RN123592	Pamela S. Cropps	RN150466
Sharon Y. Evans	RN151504	Felicia D. Mason	RN150990
Wanda D. Kemp	RN124431	Glenda H. Stone	RN155526
Kimberly D. Gordon	RN125402	Michael S. Cleveland	RN158284
Nadiyah M. Shakoor	RN126579	Trisha Wilson	RN159288
Ardell Mays	RN128512	Marilyn J. Bond	RN161537
Arlene E. Madhere	RN129054	Sonia Hughes	RN162468
Deborah A. Meyer	RN129258	Henretta M. Cobb	RN090733
Kimberly A. Jordan	RN130511	Debra A. Bassett	RN097007
Donna A. Witte	RN130685	Alzena O. Dixon	RN101624
Shonna L. Sullivan	RN133281	Patricia A. Farmer	RN104392
Juli P. Wasmund	RN135164	Shirley E. Kreuter	RN105789
Tonia D. Sharpe	RN136713	Paula E. Jones Batchelor	RN106699
Tracy A. Norris	RN135301	Sandra R. Kennedy	RN107252
Tiffany N. Trawick	RN138371	Tracy S. Clamser	RN111864
Pamela B. Barry	RN140309	Meredith L. Edalgo	RN112335
Elaine O. Mathis	RN140878	Wendell M. Merritt	RN112996
Kerre S. Benbrooks	RN141078	Randie S. Ray	RN113233
Julie F. David	RN133717	Janine A. Tift	RN113575
Karen B. Altman	RN134953	Carroll K. Thornton	RN113796
Tajuainna W. Rouse	RN145737	Jeffrey W. Newborn	RN116856
Linda McIntosh	RN146200	Michelle Hamilton	RN117991
Nola S. Hayden	RN147462		

NCLEX APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

Dr. Bernhardt moved that the following applications reviewed by the Board Staff be **approved**. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Andrea, Tracy	Dauphin, Jessica	Harris, Patricia	Lott, LaDonna
Bryan, Peyton	Dryden, Samantha	Hill, Christopher	McDaniel, Walter
Bryant, Dana	Forde, Janique	Hinojosa, Veronica	McGough, Richard
Corringan, Tina	Goodno, Shanx	Hurst, Robin	Tayor, Andrea
Trivette, Donna	Weeks, Ashley	Wilson, Charles	•
Walker, Amy	Weeks, Myra		

ENDORSEMENT APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

Dr. Bernhardt moved that the following applications reviewed by the Board Staff be **approved**. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Addo, Agatha	Lane, Nicole	McGovern, Karen	Sample, Felicia
Deters, Kari	Littlejohn, Christie	Merry, Charles	Whaley, Quandra
Dohman, Rachael	Lynn, Tyrone	O'Dwyer, Melissa	
Halaby, Tracy	Manning, Sharon	Reynolds, Veronica	
Kuitems, Constance	Matthews, Kimberly	Rosario, lisha	

REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

Dr. Bernhardt moved that the following applications reviewed by the Board Staff be **approved**. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Kleinbub, Deborah	Lewis, Frederick	Sziarto, Rosalie	Wolpert, Rodney
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ADVANCED PRACTICE AUTHORIZATION

Dr. Bernhardt moved that the following application reviewed by the Board Staff be **approved**. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Bulls, Pearline

REQUEST TO LIFT LIMITATIONS/END CONSENT ORDER EARLY

Mrs. Stegall moved to accept the recommendations as they pertain to the cases listed below.

Case No.	Recommended Action
3801010255	Lift Limitations
3801010142	Lift Limitations
3801000145	Lift Limitations
3801000075	Lift Limitations
3801970051	Vote Postponed until the July 29,
	2003 Teleconference.
3801990166	Deny request to end Consent Order
	early.

Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

POSSIBLE VIOLATION OF CONSENT ORDER

<u>3801010157</u>- Dr. Darden moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order to include voluntary surrender or actual suspension. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

<u>3801010111/3801020225</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an amended Consent Order to include indefinite suspension. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

3801010196- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an amended Consent Order to include voluntary surrender or indefinite suspension. The nurse may petition for reinstatement after documented compliance in a Board approved aftercare program and six (6) months of sobriety. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

NCLEX APPLICATION REVIEW

- **RNI040028-** Mrs. Stegall moved to proceed with licensure with a letter of concern. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI040029-** Dr. Bernhardt moved to proceed with licensure with a letter of concern. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carries unanimously.
- **RNI040030-** Dr. Darden moved to proceed with licensure with a letter of concern. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040031</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to approve applicant to sit for NCLEX only and to refer to Investigations for a criminal records check. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSURE

- <u>RNI040032</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to approve Reinstatement of Licensure with a letter of concern. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801930120</u>- Dr. Darden moved to approve Reinstatement of Licensure with a letter of concern. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801010236-</u> Mrs. Stegall moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Consent Agreement for Reinstatement of Licensure to include:
 - 1. Public Reprimand for charting irregularities.
 - 2. Continuing Education in Medications Administration/Documentation.
 - 3. Two (2) years probation including Personal Reports, Employer Reports, and Drug Screens.
- Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>92-41/3801960105</u>- Dr. Darden moved to deny Reinstatement of Licensure. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801970133/380101005</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to deny Reinstatement of Licensure. The applicant may re-apply for reinstatement after documented compliance in a Board approved aftercare program and six (6) months documented sobriety. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ENDORSEMENT APPLICATION REVIEW

- **RNI040033-** Dr. Darden moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Consent Agreement for Licensure by Endorsement to follow Massachusetts's Consent Order. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040034</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to proceed with Licensure by Endorsement with a letter of concern. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040035</u>- Dr. Darden moved to proceed with Licensure by Endorsement. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- <u>RNI040036</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to proceed with Licensure by Endorsement. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040037</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to proceed with Licensure by Endorsement. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI040038-** Dr. Darden moved to proceed with Licensure by Endorsement and to alert the system. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI030292** Dr. Bernhardt moved to proceed with Licensure by Endorsement. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040040</u>- Dr. Darden moved to write a letter informing the nurse, the GBON is withdrawing her application per her request. Her request to refund her fee is denied pursuant to 410-10-.01 of the GBON Rules and Regulations. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040041</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to proceed with Licensure by Endorsement with a letter of concern. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI040042** Mrs. Stegall moved to proceed with Licensure by Endorsement with a letter of concern. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- RNI040043- Dr. Bernhardt moved to write the nurse a letter requesting an outpatient M/P/E to supplement endorsement application. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board Member and the Nursing Consultant. If warranted, proceed with licensure. If not warranted, deny endorsement. In addition, inform the nurse he does not meet requirements in the state of Georgia for APRN authorization and therefore, must cease and desist in using the title. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF PRIOR PRESENTED CASE

- <u>RNI030031</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to refer to Enforcement to interview nurse concerning relapse, obtain Authorization to release information, and obtain related hospital records. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801950193/RNI030059</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for an Expedited M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Nursing Consultant and the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close case. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>85-10/85-99/3801950024/3801960032</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to write the treating physician a letter clarifying "under clinical supervision". Response is to be reviewed by the Nursing Consultant and the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Consent Agreement for Reinstatement to include Re-entry to include Narcotic restrictions and quarterly reports from the treating physician. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI020207</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order to include quarterly reports from the treating physician. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030041</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to deny Licensure by Examination and alert the system. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030148</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to close the case and alert the system. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- <u>3801990028-</u> Dr. Darden moved to write the nurse a letter requesting a personal appearance. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801990077</u>- Dr. Darden moved to close the case and to write a letter informing the nurse that she is not an approved after care provider with a copy to be forwarded to GNA. Br. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801000098</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to close the case and alert the system. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801010170</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Consent Order for unprofessional conduct to include an eight (8) hour course in Nursing Standards related to the care of combative patients. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- RNI030078- Dr. Bernhardt moved to write the nurse a letter requesting an outpatient M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination by a Board approved anger management provider. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action and the Nursing Consultant. If warranted, efer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close case. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

- <u>Smith, Lawana, RN069941</u>- Dr. Darden moved to accept the voluntary surrender of license. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **Grybko, Katherine, RN147861** Mrs. Stegall moved to accept the voluntary surrender of license. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>Bateman, Ada, RN093399</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to accept the voluntary surrender of license. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

<u>Memo from Attorney General's Office</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to approve changes in the Consent Order Language. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT REVIEW

- RNI040044- Ms. Coolidge moved to close the case. Ms. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI040045** Mrs. Stegall moved to close the case with a letter of concern. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040046</u>- Dr. Darden moved to refer to Enforcement for investigation. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040047</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to Enforcement for investigation. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RN Evaluators** Mrs. Stegall moved to refer to Enforcement for investigation to include interviewing subjects named in the complaint. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040049</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to close the case. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

<u>RNI040050</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to close the case. In addition, Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to Office of Regulatory Services and to write a letter to the complainant concerning disposition. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS

- RNI020315/RNI030024- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030016</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Private Consent Order pending Legal review. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI030017** Dr. Darden moved to close the case with a letter of concern. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI030050-** Dr. Darden moved to accept the signed cease and desist order and to close the case. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030054</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order to include three (3) months actual suspension due to felony conviction.
- <u>RNI030085</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030087</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to Enforcement for a cease and desist order. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- RNI030128- Dr. Darden moved to close the case. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- RNI1030131- Dr. Darden moved to close the case. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI030138-** Mrs. Stegall moved to close the case with a letter of concern. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- RNI030141- Mrs. Stegall moved to order nurse to have an Expedited M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Nursing Consultant and the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close case. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI030156/RNI030179** Dr. Darden moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- RNI030171- Dr. Darden moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030175</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Public Reprimand for misrepresenting credentials and a \$250 fine for unauthorized practice. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- RNI030177- Dr. Darden moved to refer to the Attorney General's office to order the nurse to have an Outpatient M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Nursing Consultant and the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close case. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- <u>RNI030183</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI030184** Dr. Bernhardt moved to close the case with a letter of concern. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI030185-** Dr. Darden moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI020267** Dr. Darden moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI020321** Dr. Darden moved to close the case with a letter of concern. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801020007</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for Revocation of Licensure. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801020023</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Public Reprimand to include eight (8) contact hours of Continuing Education in Ethics. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801020071</u>- Dr. Darden moved to close the case with a letter of concern. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801020147</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to close the case. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801020170</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to close the case and alert the system. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801020198</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - 3801020201 Vote postponed until the July 29, 2003 Teleconference.
- <u>3801020204</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to accept the signed cease and desist order and to close the case. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801020223</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to close the case and alert the system. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030060</u>- Ms. Stegall moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Private Consent Order pending Legal review. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030088</u>- Dr. Darden moved to close case with a letter of concern. In addition, Dr. Darden moved to refer to the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030147/RNI030159</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030162</u>- Ms. Coolidge moved to refer to the Attorney Generals' office for an amended Consent Order to extend probation. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI030178</u>- Dr. Darden moved to close the case with a letter of concern. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI030355- Dr. Bernhardt moved to order nurse to have an Outpatient M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination. Results are to be reviewed by the Cognizant Board Member for Disciplinary Action and the Nursing Consultant. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General's office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close case. In addition, Dr. Bernhardt moved to accept the M/P/E as prepared by the Attorney General's office and to write the nurse a letter requesting Voluntary Surrender of license. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ENFORCEMENT

<u>RNI030332</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to write a letter advising the nurse she is required to complete a Board Approved Reentry Program. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSENT ORDERS-LEGAL SERVICES

Mrs. Stegall moved to accept the Report and the Consent Orders as prepared by Legal Services. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI030199	RNI030201	RNI030202	RNI030203	RNI030204
RNI030206	RNI030207	RNI030209	RNI030311	RNI030313
RNI030315	RNI030316	RNI030317	RNI030318	RNI030319
RNI030321	RNI030322	RNI030323	RNI030324	RNI030331
RNI030333	RNI030334	RNI030337	RNI030338	RNI030340
RNI030341	RNI030342	RNI030330	RNI030339	RNI030312

REQUEST TO RELEASE CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION /INVESTIGATIVE INFORMATION

3801970213- Dr. Bernhardt moved to release the records of the investigations of 3801970213 to the Arizona Board of Nursing as permitted under O.C.G.A. 43-1-19(h)(2). Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

<u>3801980159</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to release confidential application information as requested by applicant 38019801. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS/ORDERS- ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

The Status and Activity Report was reviewed.

Dr. Bernhardt moved to accept Ms. Jackson's report and her recommendation to adopt the following Consent Agreements/Orders as prepared by the Attorney General's office. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Ellis, Susan K.P., RN069240 Turner, Tonya, RN122749 Stanaland, Rita, RN085885 Spicer, Brenda, RN090853 Segal, Wendy, RN047401 Rogers, Sue, RN073477 Hughie, Pamela, RN117418 Huffman, Lhonda, RN 118004 Gillis, Cheryl, RN149731 Claxton, Gwennette, RN101129 Christensen, Helen, RN154179

Mrs. Stegall moved not to accept the Consent Orders as prepared by the Attorney General's office. In addition, Mrs. Stegall moved to refer back to the Attorney General's office for a Private Consent Order with the same stipulations. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI020309 3801020161 RNI030165 RNI030187

Mrs. Stegall moved to accept Ms. Jackson's report and her recommendation to adopt the following Consent Agreements/Orders as prepared by the Attorney General's office. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Daniel, Lee A., RN137296 Bradley, Ricky, RN063068 Kent, Love E.D., RN089507 Ludwig, Melanie, RN102406 RNI020294 Aldrich, Denise M., RN124752 Clinkscales, Doretha, RN141866 Jenkins, Donna M., RN148022 Middleton, Victoria A., RN081518 Swope, Nathan, RN136158

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

<u>3801010093</u>- Mrs. Stegall moved to notify the Attorney General's office to deny request for lesser sanctions. In addition, Mrs. Stegall moved to deny request to release peer review. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

<u>3801010205</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to place a Hold on renewal. In addition, Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to Enforcement for further investigation with the Department of Labor to determine if the nurse is working in Georgia, and to clarify with Legal Counsel if a Disciplinary Alert can be forwarded to other states. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

OFFICIAL OPINION-THURBERT E. BAKER, ATTORNEY GENERAL

The Board reviewed a June 4, 2003 Official Opinion regarding establishment of a quorum rendered by Thurbert E. Baker, Attorney General, in correspondence to the Honorable Cathy Cox, Secretary of State. The Official Opinion is as follows:

A majority of the total number of positions on a given licensing board is required to constitute a quorum as identified in O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(h), and a majority of such quorum is necessary to conduct board business other than the specific actions set forth in O.C.G.A. 43-1-19(a), which require an affirmative finding by a majority of the entire board.

A copy of the Official Opinion and the accompanying information is filed in the Board Office. It was the Board's understanding that five (5) of the eight (8) members must be present to conduct legal/disciplinary matters.

MISCELLANEOUS-ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

The Board reviewed and discussed O.C.G.A. 37-1-15(b), Administration of Medication by Unlicensed Personnel.

The Attorney General's office informed the Board regarding House Bill 352- <u>Licensing Boards</u>; <u>complaints against licensee</u>; <u>certain notification</u> passed the House and Senate and became law July 1, 2003.

Ms. Jackson, Assistant Attorney General, discussed with the Board the current differentiating criteria for Private and Public Consent Orders. Mrs. Sandy Bond, Executive Director, proposed a committee to meet and discuss updates and/or revisions to criteria for the Board to review at a later date. The committee is as follows:

Sandy Bond, Executive Director Frank Brown, Nurse Consultant, Legal/Discipline Mrs. Marbury Stegall Ms. Janet Jackson, Legal Advisor

APPLICATIONS FOR BOARD REVIEWS

- RNI040054- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$1000 for unauthorized practice extending over one (1) year. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - RNI040051- Vote postponed until the July 29, 2003 Teleconference.
- RNI040077- Dr. Bernhardt moved to write a letter advising the nurse that she is required to complete a Board Approved Reentry Program. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- RNI040076- Mrs. Stegall moved to accept Educational credentials to qualify for Initial APRN Authorization as a Family Nurse Practitioner. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **RNI030326-** Dr. Darden moved to amend the May 15, 2003 Board decision and approve request for Reinstatement of licensure. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Dr. Bernhardt moved to accept Ms. Skipwith Drayton's, Board Liaison, recommendations regarding the following applications as presented by Board staff, Katrina Martin. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>RNI040067</u>- Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$50 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040052** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$50 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040053** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$100 for unlicensed practice.
- <u>RNI040055</u>- Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$100 for unlicensed practice.
- <u>RNI040056</u>- Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$300 for unlicensed and unauthorized practice.
- **RNI040057** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040058** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040059** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040060** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- <u>RNI040061</u>- Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$200 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040062** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$200 for unlicensed and unauthorized practice.
- <u>RNI040069</u>- Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.

- <u>RNI040072</u>- Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$50 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040068** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040075** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040071-** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040074** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$100 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040073** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$100 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040070** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$200 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040063** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040064** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$200 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040065** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$150 for unlicensed practice.
- **RNI040066** Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order and a fine of \$200 for unlicensed practice.

LICENSURE APPROVAL

Dr. Bernhardt moved, Mrs. Stegall seconded and the Board voted to **approve** applications for licensure and advanced practice authorization for the months of May and June who were determined, pursuant to Board approval guidelines, to have met licensure/authorization requirements. See attached reports.

MISCELLANEOUS-INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS

- **RNI030098** Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer for expert peer review. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>3801000018</u>- Dr. Bernhardt moved to refer to the Composite State Board of Medical Examiners for possible violation of Consent Order. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - 3801020201 Vote postponed until the July 29, 2003 Teleconference.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 18, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT

Linda Roberts-Betsch, RN, DSN, President Jeanette Bernhardt, RN, Ph.D. Karen Coolidge, BSHE Joan Darden, RN, Ph.D. Marbury Stegall, RN, MN, CS, Vice President

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mildred Skipwith-Drayton, RN, BS

STAFF PRESENT

Sandy Bond, RN, MSN, MBA, Executive Director
Deborah Beard, Compliance Manager
Frank Brown, RN, BSN, CLC, Nursing Consultant – Discipline/Legal
Monica Bridges-Roberts, Board Secretary
Julia E. Gould, RN, MS, Nursing Consultant – Education
Janet Jackson, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Katrina Martin, RN, BSN, COHN-S, Nursing Consultant – Practice

<u>VISITORS PRESENT (During Executive Session, visitors were excused unless scheduled for personal appearance.)</u>

Kim Cribb Darton College Shelia Phillips Darton College

Dana Burnett North Georgia College and State University
Christine Aycock North Georgia College and State University

David Bennett Kennesaw State University
Sylvia McDonald Athens Technical College
Marni Hancock Athens Technical College
Gloria Buck Athens Technical College

Karen Hill Bainbridge College Shelia Ramer Bainbridge College Victoria Brown Macon State College

Rhonda McLain Clayton College and State University

Judith Plaweck Clayton College and State University

Pam O'Neil Macon State College
Barbara Frizzell Macon State College
Rebecca Corvey Macon State College
Sheryl Winn Macon State College
Janet Starr PLB/ LPN Board
Marianne Lettus Excelsior College

Debbie Hatmaker Georgia Nurses Association

Dr. Roberts-Betsch opened the meeting at 8:35 a.m. and welcomed all members.

INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATION APPLICATIONS

<u>MA</u>- The Board reviewed the application for licensure by examination. Dr. Darden moved to notify MA that in order for her to be considered as a duly qualified candidate, she must enroll in and graduate from an approved nursing education program leading to initial licensure as a first-level (registered) nurse. The program must meet criteria similar to, and no less stringent than, those established by the Georgia Board of Nursing. [O.C.G.A. 43-26-7(b); 410-6-.02 (1), (2)] Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- <u>GB</u>- The Board reviewed the application for licensure by examination. Ms. Coolidge moved to notify GB that in order for her to be considered as a duly qualified candidate, she must enroll in and graduate from an approved nursing education program leading to initial licensure as a first-level (registered) nurse. The program must meet criteria similar to, and no less stringent than, those established by the Georgia Board of Nursing. [O.C.G.A. 43-26-7(b); 410-6-.01 (1), (2), (3); 410-6-.02 (1), (2)] Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- **PM** The Board reviewed the application for licensure by examination. Dr. Bernhardt moved to notify PM that in order for her to be considered as a duly qualified candidate, she must enroll in and graduate from an approved nursing education program leading to initial licensure as a first-level (registered) nurse. The program must meet criteria similar to, and no less stringent than, those established by the Georgia Board of Nursing. [O.C.G.A. 43-26-7(b); 410-6-.01 (1), (2), (3); 410-6-.02 (1), (2)] Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>ND</u>- The Board reviewed the application for licensure by examination. Dr. Darden moved to approve the application for ND for licensure by examination. [410-6-.02 (1), (2)] Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- <u>LY</u>- The Board reviewed the application for licensure by examination. Ms. Coolidge moved to notify LY that in order for her to be considered as a duly qualified candidate, she must enroll in and pass complete courses (theory and clinical components) in maternal/ infant nursing and mental health/psychiatric nursing. These courses must occur at an approved nursing education program leading to initial licensure as a registered nurse. The Registrar of the educational institution must be requested to submit an official transcript documenting the passing of these courses directly to the Board of Nursing. [410-6-.02 (1), (2)(c)] In addition, LY must request the test service to provide documentation of computer-based score of at least 207 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). [410-6-.02 (2)(d)(2).] Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SITE VISIT REPORTS

Columbus State University

The Board reviewed Columbus State University's February 13-14, 2003 Site Visit Report. Mrs. Stegall moved to accept the nine (9) commendations. Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. In addition, Mrs. Stegall moved to accept the two (2) recommendations. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Macon State College

The Board reviewed Macon State College's March 10-11, 2003 Site Visit Report. Dr. Darden moved to accept the seven (7) commendations and the four (4) recommendations. Mrs. Stegall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Clayton College and State University

The Board reviewed Clayton College and State University's February 27-28, 2003 Site Visit Report. Dr. Bernhardt moved to accept the seven (7) commendations and the five (5) recommendations. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

SITE VISIT RESPONSES

Kennesaw State University

At its March 27-28, 2003 meeting, the Board of Nursing reviewed the November 18-19, 2002 Site Visit Report for Kennesaw State University. The response to the one (1) recommendation was appropriate.

Mrs. Stegall moved the following decision: Based upon review and documentation of compliance with rules relating to annual reports, the most recent site visit report, and an overall passing

percentage of at least 80 percent (248/274, 90.5%) of all first-time writers of the NCLEX-RN over the last four-years (1999-2002), **Full Approval** is extended until December 31, 2007. [410-3-.02 (3)(a)]. Unless another reason presents itself, the next site visit will be scheduled for the 2006-2007 academic year. [410-3-.01 (d)] Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Athens Technical College

At its March 27-28, 2003 meeting, the Board of Nursing reviewed the January 28-29, 2003 Site Visit Report for Athens Technical College. Responses received on June 23, 2003 and June 26, 2003 were appropriate. Mrs. Stegall moved the following decision:

Based upon review of, and documentation of compliance with rules relating to annual reports, the most recent site visit report, and an overall passing percentage of at least 80 percent (86.5%) over the last four-years (1999-2002),), **Full Approval** is extended until December 31, 2007. [410-3-.02 (3)(a)]. Unless another reason presents itself, the next site visit will be scheduled for the 2006-2007 academic year. [410-3-.01 (d)] Dr. Bernhardt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

DEVELOPING PROGRAMS

Macon State College

At its January 16-17, 2003 meeting, the Board of Nursing reviewed and accepted the 22-month report for the proposed RN/BSN Program. [410-4-.01 (2)(a), (b), (c), (d)] Based upon compliance with 410-4-.01 (1)(a), (1)(b), (2)(a), (2)(b), (2)(c), and (2)(d), **Developmental Approval** was **granted** for the implementation of the program. [410-3-.02 (1)(a)] Report I was received in the Board office on June 9, 2003. [Contrary to the cover title, Initial Approval will not be considered until Report II is reviewed.] The enrollment of the first class is proposed for fall 2004.

Mrs. Stegall moved the following recommendations:

- 1. Accept Report I submitted by the proposed RN/BSN Program at Macon State College [410-4-.01 (3)(a) with the following provisions to be included with Report II:
 - a. Given the proposed RN/BSN Program and the existing AD Program, clarify the title of the nursing unit within the organizational structure of the Division of Nursing and Health Sciences. [410-3-.03 (2)]
 - b. Revise the organizational structure of the nursing unit to clarify the title and relationships of the AD Program and the proposed RN/BSN Program. [410-3-.03 (2)]
 - c. Revise the written plan for the organization and development of the curriculum so that it described the connection between nursing and non-nursing courses and the rationale(s) for their logical placement and sequence. [410-3-.04(1)(b), (1)(c)]
 - d. In the admission policies, clearly describe student participation in the Statewide Articulation Plan and the process for students who are ineligible. [410-3-.07(2)]
- 2. Submit one (1) copy of Report II to be received in the Board office no later than February 11, 2004 to be reviewed at the Board's March 17-19, 2004 meeting. [410-4-.01 (3)(b)]
 - Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Bainbridge College

The Board reviewed Bainbridge College's 24-month Report. On June 9, 2003, a May 15, 2003 letter from Dr. Clifford Brock, President, Bainbridge College, with supporting 24-month materials for the development and implementation of an Associate of Nursing Degree Program were received in the Board

office. According to a June 30, 2003 email, the proposed enrollment date is fall 2005. Recommendations were reviewed and the vote is postponed until the July 29, 2003 Teleconference.

East Georgia College

<u>FYI</u>- The Board received correspondence from East Georgia College communicating its interest in developing a "free-standing" ADN program in the college's future.

EXPANDING PROGRAMS

Darton College

The Board reviewed letters of May 14, 2003 and June 19, 2003 from Kimberly Cribb, Interim Chairman of the Nursing Division, notifying the Board of Darton College's intent to initiate an off-campus offering at Miller County Hospital in Colquitt as of August 2003. Supporting materials were provided with the June 19, 2003 letter. Some of the budget information describes settings different than those in the report. The information was included in the original proposal, which entailed the construction of a building. Instead of constructing a building, the hospital has made an adjacent existing building available to the program. All other information was appropriate. The Recommendation was reviewed and the vote is postponed until the July 29, 2003 Teleconference.

EXCELSIOR COLLEGE

Dr. Marianne K. Lettus, Associate Dean, School of Nursing, Excelsior College, Albany, N.Y., presented to the Board the College's course of study and the Clinical Performance in Nursing Examination as described in the college's catalog. Dr. Lettus responded to questions and comments of the Board.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN OSHKOSH

The Board reviewed correspondence submitted by the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh College of Nursing regarding the implementation of an accelerated on-line Nursing Program. The Board requests the university provide more information concerning the on-line Program.

COMMITTEE REORTS

<u>Education Committee</u>- Julia Gould, Nursing Education Consultant presented the Education Committee Meeting Report, from the June 20, 2003 meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Bond reported on the following:

- Discussed Criteria for New Nursing Programs; Education Committee to meet and discuss/compose proposed criteria to be presented to the Board at a later date.
- Executive Director's Retreat July 14-15, 2003; Information on Choice Point (National Information Database)
- Proposed date for Teleconference, July 29, 2003
- Reviewed NCSBN-2003 Summary of Recommendations.
- Georgia Nurses Association Annual Convention, October 15-17, 2003, Macon, GA.
- FYI- Letter from N.J. Board of Nursing
- Rules and Regulations Committee Report presented by Mrs. Stegall:
 - Discussed proposed changes to the rules to be presented to the Board at a later date for review. The Rules Committee is scheduled to meet August 25, 2003, Macon, Georgia. The Committee requests Katrina Martin, Nursing Practice Consultant, Frank Brown, Legal/Disciplinary Nurse Consultant, and Julia Gould, Nursing Education Consultant are present at the next scheduled meeting.
- Approval of 2003-2004 Board Meeting Dates- The Board approved the 2003-2004 Board Meeting dates by acclamation.

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

ISSUE 1- Anonymous Letter response from Piedmont Hospital- RNI040048- Mrs. Stegall moved to write a letter to the Hospital, requesting additional information regarding the anonymous letter. In addition, Mrs. Stegall moved to refer to the Medical Board and Investigations to acquire protocol documents, credentialing process used the Hospital for outside employees performing tasks in the hospital, and direct investigators to visit the cardiothoracic practice to obtain RN license numbers along with statements from hose named in the anonymous letter. Ms. Coolidge seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ISSUE 2- Can APRN's receive drug samples from pharmaceutical Representatives? - Mrs. Stegall moved to approve the letter prepared by Katrina Martin, Nursing Practice Consultant, to be forwarded to the Pharmacy Board with copies of NDCHealth's inquiry to Anita Martin and NDCHealth's inquiry to the Board dated April 28, 2003. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS

The RN Re-entry Guidelines Committee to meet at a later date. The committee is as follows:

Mrs. Marbury Stegall
Dr. Jeanette Bernhardt
Katrina Martin, Nursing Consultant- Practice

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

	Linda Roberts-Betsch, President
Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director	

These minutes were recorded by Monica Bridges-Roberts, Board Secretary, and approved on October 23, 2003.